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## **VIA ECF**

The Honorable Rachel P. Kovner United States District Judge Eastern District of New York 225 Cadman Plaza East Brooklyn, New York 11201

Re: Alex Goldman v. Catherine Reddington, 1:18-cv-03662 (RPK)(ARL)

## **Joint Status Report**

Dear Judge Kovner:

We represent Defendant Catherine Reddington in the above-referenced matter. We write on behalf of both Parties in response to this Court's Order dated May 2, 2023, instructing the Parties to file a status report regarding the current stay in this matter pending the Second Circuit's decision in *Coleman v. Grand*, Dkt. 21-800.

The Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit still has not issued a decision in *Coleman v. Grand*. As we previously noted in the Parties' status report of May 1, 2023 (ECF No. 159), the Second Circuit heard oral argument in *Coleman v. Grand* on May 13, 2022.

Additionally, on June 13, 2023, the New York Court of Appeals issued its decision in *Gottwald v. Sebert*, Dkt. APL-2021-00131 & APL-2022-00082, which addressed the applicability of the New York anti-SLAPP amendments (Civil Rights Law §§ 70-a and 76-a). Plaintiff attached a copy of that decision with its Notification of Supplemental Authority filed on July 11, 2023 (ECF No. 163).

Because the issues presented in *Coleman v. Grand* are substantially related to those present in the instant matter, the Parties again jointly ask this Court to continue to stay the pending motions—(1) Defendant's motion for summary judgment (ECF No. 140), and (2) Plaintiff's

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motion for judgment on the pleadings (ECF No. 155)—until the Second Circuit has issued a decision in *Coleman v. Grand*, or for another status report within a reasonable time as the Court may deem appropriate.

Respectfully submitted,

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